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11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	FIX THE CITY, INC., a California nonprofit corporation, Petitioner and Plaintiff, V. CITY OF LOS ANGELES; LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, Respondents.	Case No. VERIFIED PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDATE AND COMPLAINT FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF (Public Resources Code, § 21168; Code of Civil Procedure, §§ 526, 1085 & 1097; Government Code, § 65300.5; Los Angeles City Charter, §§ 555, 556 & 558) CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT ("CEQA") ACTION	
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Comes now Petitioner and Plaintiff, Fix the City, Inc., and alleges as follows:

INTRODUCTION

- 1. Petitioner Fix the City, Inc., by this Verified Petition for Writ of Mandate, challenges the repeated failure of Respondents City of Los Angeles and City Council of the City of Los Angeles (collectively, "Respondents") to adhere to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), to follow the procedures set forth in its own Los Angeles City Charter, to maintain consistency within its General Plan and to abide by the requirements of state planning laws, when adopting an amendment to the General Plan of the City of Los Angeles. Fix the City brings this lawsuit in its capacity as private attorney general.
- On August 11, 2015, the Los Angeles City Council approved, Mobility Plan 2035 ("MP2035"), an update to the legally-required circulation element of the City's General Plan, at the same time certifying an Environmental Impact Report ("EIR"), and adopting a Statement of Overriding Considerations for the significant, unavoidable environmental impacts of implementing MP2035. As an element of the General Plan, MP2035 is the "constitution" for the City of Los Angeles street system, establishing which streets will have supposed improved transit access, which neighborhoods will benefit from supposed improved pedestrian amenities, and which streets will lose lanes of vehicular traffic to accommodate bike lanes and/or bus lanes. Respondents acknowledged that implementation of MP2035 would have significant, unavoidable impacts to transportation, including significantly increased congestion, intrusion of traffic into residential neighborhoods, failure to comply with the existing regional Congestion Management Plan, and diminished access and response time of emergency responders. The policies set forth in MP2035 conflict with numerous policies in other existing elements of the City's General Plan, including elements in its 35 Community Plans (which constitute the land use element of the General Plan). In fact, MP2035 is an immobility plan that will have significant, unmitigatable environmental impacts.
- In the City Council process leading to the August 11th approvals, Respondents 3. significantly amended MP2035 after the Planning Commission's approval. In spite of specific requirements in the City Charter requiring the Council to refer any such amendments back to

the City Planning Commission and the Mayor's office, the Council failed to do so and adopted the amended MP2035 outright.

4. Approving MP2035 and its EIR was in violation of substantive requirements of CEQA, in contradiction to clear procedural requirements of Section 555 of the City Charter, and created inconsistency in the City's fundamental planning documents. Petitioner turns to this Court to enforce these legal requirements and ensure that Respondents' consideration of MP2035 properly evaluates the plan's potential environmental impacts, abides by the City's procedural rules, and does not introduce inconsistency into the General Plan.

PARTIES

- 5. Petitioner and Plaintiff, FIX THE CITY, INC. ("Fix The City" or "Petitioner") is a California nonprofit public benefit corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of California. Fix The City's mission is to improve and maintain quality of life and public safety by facilitating neighborhood improvements and neighborhood protection; supporting local infrastructure; improving the efficiency of local government; and advocating for other improvements to the environment throughout the City of Los Angeles. Fix The City participated in the actions challenged herein, submitting oral and written comments to the record on multiple occasions. Petitioner's members are residents and taxpayers of the City of Los Angeles.
- 6. Respondent and Defendant CITY OF LOS ANGELES (the "City") is the public governmental entity serving the people of the City of Los Angeles.
- 7. Respondent and Defendant LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL (the "City Council") is the elected governing body of the City of Los Angeles, a charter city in the State of California. The City Council has an office in Los Angeles, California.
- 8. Petitioner is unaware of the true names and capacities of Respondents DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and they are therefore sued by such fictitious names pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 474. Petitioner alleges on information and belief that each such fictitiously named Respondent is responsible or liable in some manner for the events and

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happenings referred to herein, and Petitioner will seek leave to amend this Petition to allege their true names and capacities after the same have been ascertained.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- 9. MP2035 is an element of the City of Los Angeles General Plan. State law and the Los Angeles City Charter require that the City prepare and adopt a General Plan, which is to serve as the constitution for future development in the City. State law requires that the general plan include, among its mandatory elements, a circulation element. (Government Code, § 65302, subd. (b).) In the City of Los Angeles, the circulation element of the General Plan has previously been called the Transportation Element, and was adopted in 1999.
- 10. MP2035 is an update to the Transportation Element. The stated purpose of MP2035 is to guide "mobility decisions," and serve as a "transportation blueprint" for the City until at least 2035, or for the foreseeable future. MP2035 includes both general policies and a more specific action plan that identifies roadways for pedestrian, bicycles, vehicle, or transit "enhancements," as well as new street design standards. Although MP2035 does not authorize any specific physical project, it sets the stage for such approvals by establishing which projects will be found consistent with the City's plan in the future, and facilitates the ultimate approval and construction of the roadway improvements specifically identified in MP2035's action plan, some of which may be constructed or implemented without further approval process pursuant to state laws. MP2035 is intended to comply with state legislation enacted in 2008 which requires cities to include multi-modal transportation planning in the required general plan circulation elements; and enable the city to apply for state and federal grants to implement the projects included in MP2035.
- 11. The City began preparing MP2035 by convening several task force meetings in 2011.
- 12. On April 13, 2013, the City issued the Notice of Preparation for the EIR for MP2035.
- 13. On April 16 and 20, 2013, the City convened two public scoping meetings for the MP2013 EIR.

- 14. On May 16, 2013, the public comment period on EIR scoping closed. Over 30 comments on the scope of the EIR were received.
- 15. On February 13, 2014, the Draft EIR (DEIR) was released for a 90-day public comment period, which closed on May 13, 2014. More than 40 comments were provided on the DEIR.
- 16. On November 20, 2014, staff from the Department of City Planning presented to the City Planning Commission regarding MP2035.
- 17. On February 19, 2015, a Recirculated DEIR (RDEIR) was released for an additional 45-day public comment period which concluded on April 6, 2015. The RDEIR presented changes to MP2035 that had been made since the plan was first developed and to present revised analysis of project impacts. The plan analyzed in the RDEIR included additional miles of plan using transit, expanded bicycle routes, and a network to support pedestrian activity. The RDEIR included analysis of changes to Westwood Boulevard different from those proposed in the DEIR. More than 150 comments were received on the RDEIR.
 - 18. The Draft MP2035 was recirculated for public comment along with the RDEIR.
 - 19. In the first half of May 2015, the Final EIR (FEIR) was released.
- 20. On May 28, 2015, after a public hearing, the City Planning Commission (CPC), the body of appointed officials designated by the City to review City-wide planning proposals, reviewed MP2035 along with a Five-Year Implementation Strategy. Pursuant to the process set forth in the Los Angeles City Charter, the CPC amended and approved MP2035 as an amendment of the General Plan. The CPC approved and recommended the City Council adopt a resolution certifying the EIR for MP2035, including Findings of Fact, a Mitigation Monitoring Plan, and a Statement of Overriding Considerations. The CPC also approved and recommended that the City Council adopt amendments to the terminology of the City's 35 Community Plans so that the street designations in those plans conforms to the street designations employed in MP2035.
 - 21. In early June 2015, the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles concurred in the

actions of the CPC and recommended to the City Council that it adopt MP2035, certify its EIR, and adopt the other actions approved by the CPC.

- 22. On June 17, 2015, Respondents circulated an Addition to the FEIR consisting of new responses to comments submitted after the close of the public comment period, as well as corrections and additions to the FEIR.
- 23. On August 4, 2015, a joint hearing of the Los Angeles City Council Planning and Land Use Management ("PLUM") and Transportation ("T") Committees convened a joint public hearing on MP2035. The PLUM and T Committees recommended that the City Council adopt MP2035, certify its EIR, and adopt all of the related actions approved by the CPC and the Mayor. The PLUM and T Committees, however, made two substantive amendments to MP2035: (1) to amend MP2035 to require that equity is an important factor in prioritizing projects for implementation; and (2) to designate City Council as an implementing agency for MP2035, in addition to the already-designated Office of the Mayor.
- 24. On August 11, 2015, after permitting limited public comment on the item, the City Council, with a vote of 11 in favor and two opposed, adopted MP2035 with a third amendment, to add public safety as a criterion to evaluate implementation of the projects set forth in MP2035, certified its EIR, and adopted the Statement of Overriding Considerations, Findings, and a Mitigation Monitoring Program, along with resolutions directing other conforming amendments to the City's planning documents. The City Council referred back to the PLUM and T Committees seven motions brought by Councilmembers requesting changes to the streets included in MP2035's action plan in various respects, stating that additional environmental review would be required for such amendments. It did not send back to CPC the three amendments that it adopted on August 11, 2015.
- 25. As of August 24, 2015, Petitioner could not locate a posted Notice of Determination at the Los Angeles County Recorder's office. Petitioner is informed and believed that Respondents' August 11, 2015 approval was the final approval required for finality of MP2035 in reliance upon the MP2035 EIR.

Mobility Plan 2035 and EIR

- 26. MP2035 provides for a "multi-modal" transportation network throughout the City, identifying streets as appropriate for a variety of special treatments in the future. These designations include "transit enhanced network" ("TEN"), on which special treatment will be given to prioritize transit; "vehicle enhanced network" ("VEN"), streets with very high volumes of traffic on which bus speed are to be enhanced, "neighborhood enhanced network," ("NEN") which are considered appropriate for improvements to the pedestrian and other slow-moving transportation experience; and "bicycle enhanced network," ("BEN") on which protected bike lanes are anticipated to be installed in the future by converting a travel lane to a bike lane, thereby slowing traffic and increasing congestion.
- 27. The EIR for MP2035 analyzed at a programmatic level the environmental impacts of implementing the proposed street network changes. Respondents did not conduct an Initial Study to identify which impacts the EIR would focus upon. The EIR analyzed potential impacts in the following areas: (1) transportation, parking, and safety; (2) land use and planning; (3) air quality; (4) greenhouse gas emissions; (5) noise and vibration; and (6) biological resources.
- 28. The EIR concluded that the implementation of MP2035 would have significant and unavoidable impacts to transportation and safety, substantially reducing the number of street segments citywide operating at acceptable impact levels as a result of plan implementation; and that there would be *less congestion without the plan*. As a result of the MP2035-related increased congestion, the EIR concluded that traffic would also divert onto parallel residential streets that are currently not as congested, increasing neighborhood traffic intrusion. Implementing MP2035 will also result in increased congestion on multiple freeway segments, as compared to no-project conditions. Finally, MP2035 will decrease the ability of emergency responders to travel to emergencies due to the increased congestion caused by implementation of the plan. The EIR also found significant and unavoidable impacts due to noise and vibration impacts from increased bus traffic and on biological resources during construction.

29. Respondents adopted MP2035 in spite of these impacts, relying on purported ("aspirational") benefits from reducing vehicle trips, in spite of explicitly recognizing that the plan would actually increase congestion on existing streets and increase vehicular delay. Respondents were not presented with an adequate baseline against which to compare impacts to public safety, were not presented with accurate calculations of air quality and greenhouse gas emissions increases, lack of a cumulative analysis for projects that were authorized by MP 2035 and relevant state laws, and thus their determination to adopt MP2035 was not based upon substantial evidence nor compliant with CEQA.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 30. This Court has original jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to article VI, section 10 of the California Constitution and sections 1085, and 1094.5 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
- 31. Venue is proper in the County of Los Angeles pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure 394 in that Respondents are government entities and/or agents of the City of Los Angeles.

EXHAUSTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES

- 32. As set forth in paragraph 5 above, Petitioner participated throughout the approval process for MP2035 and its EIR, submitting both written and oral comments to Respondents about the allegations in this Verified Petition.
- 33. Petitioner has complied with the requirements of Public Resources Code section 21167.5 by serving a written notice of Petitioner's intention to commence this action on the Respondents on September 8, 2015. Copies of the written notice and proof of service are attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 34. Petitioner has complied with the requirements of Public Resources Code section 21167.7 by sending a copy of this Petition to the California Attorney General on September 8, 2015. A copy of the letter transmitting this Petition and the proof of service is attached hereto as Exhibit B.
 - 35. Petitioner has satisfied all applicable prerequisites to seeking judicial review of

Respondents' actions.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

Violation of California Environmental Quality Act

(Public Resources Code, § 21168)

- 36. Petitioner incorporates by reference all the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.
- 37. CEQA is designed to ensure that the long-term protection of the environment be the guiding criterion in public decisions. CEQA accomplishes its purpose by requiring public agencies to determine and to disclose to the public detailed information about the effect that a proposed project may be expected to have on the environment. The term "project" applies to the "whole of an action" which has the potential for resulting in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect change in the environment, including, for example, general level activities such as the creation of a general or specific plan for a specified geographic area. Under CEQA, in fact, the environmental analysis of general plans such as the MP2035 is especially critical because conformity to such plans can, in certain cases, exempt a future project from detailed review under CEQA. In such cases, the only critical analysis of the effects of plan build-out will be in the EIR conducted for the general plan. Thoughtful and accurate analysis is thus crucial.
- 38. The EIR does not live up to the requirements of CEQA in several critical respects. The entire premise of the environmental analysis is questionable: while acknowledging that MP2035 will increase congestion and the time that car drivers, by far the predominant mode of transportation even after implementation of MP2035, spend on the road, the EIR concludes that greenhouse gas emissions will somehow improve as a result of MP2035. This conclusion is not backed by any rational or meaningful analysis. Increased idling time will increase fuel consumption and generate more greenhouse gases and air pollution.
- 39. First, the EIR relies on outdated data (or no data) on population, traffic, and other municipal services to establish the environmental baseline against which impacts of

MP2035 implementation are assessed. In spite of the Notice of Preparation being issued in 2013, the EIR relies on data from 2008, even when other more recent sources of information were available and presented for consideration.

- 40. The EIR's conclusions are logically inconsistent with each other and reflect a failure to employ the proper factors to analyze environmental impacts. The EIR fails to account for the increase in vehicle hours travelled due to the increased congestion that will result from the implementation of MP2035. The EIR acknowledges that MP2035 will have a significant impact on City's ability to comply with the regional Congestion Management Plan, yet fails to account for vehicular delay in its calculations of greenhouse gas emissions and air quality. The EIR relies solely on vehicular miles travelled instead of the actual measure of vehicle emissions: vehicle hours traveled.
- 41. Indeed, the EIR's analysis of greenhouse gases conceded that as compared to No Project conditions, MP2035 offered a paltry 0.2 percent reduction in emissions, because nearly all of the emission reductions in greenhouse gases will take place as a result of independent state emission standards having no relation whatsoever to MP2035. The EIR acknowledges that in some areas, such as the west side of Los Angeles, greenhouse gas emissions will increase due to the slow rates of travel forecasted after the plan has been implemented. The EIR's analysis of air quality impacts is likewise faulty. No data or analysis was provided to support the finding of an overall reduction in GHG as stated in the SOL; the "benefit" cited for GHG was speculative, not based on substantial evidence. Similarly, the EIR relies on a shifting baseline in its analysis of transportation impacts, appearing to take credit for increased transit ridership associated with projects already planned to be constructed. The EIR's baseline and impact comparison shifts in order to create the most favorable perspective for MP2035.
- 42. The EIR's analyses of impacts to public services, especially those related to first responders such as fire and police, are also based on erroneous baseline assumptions and are not based on substantial evidence. The EIR contains no data documenting the current baseline and therefore does not have substantial evidence documenting its conclusions regarding the

potential impact of MP2035 on public services. The EIR contains no data regarding how much the implementation of MP2035 will delay response times. The department responsible for emergency response, the Los Angeles Fire Department, failed to provide any testimony on the plan and its impacts on the operation of the Department.

- 43. The EIR entirely failed to consider certain environmental impacts, including but not limited to the growth inducing and water supply cumulative impact of MP2035 and other related land use plans, the urban decay impact of removing parking lanes, an analysis of the impacts of increased vehicle hours travelled, the safety impacts of increased congestion on cyclists and pedestrians, the safety impacts of increasing response times to emergencies, the impact of removing traffic signal requirements imposed as mitigation measures for other projects.
- 44. The EIR's project description is vague and unstable, making it difficult for the public and decisionmakers to understand what project was adopted by the City Council, in contravention to CEQA's requirements of full disclosure.
- 45. The EIR also fails to analyze an adequate range of alternatives as required by CEQA. Public Resources Code section 21102 specifies that public agencies shall not approve projects as proposed "if there are feasible alternatives . . . available which would substantially lessen the significant environmental effects of such projects." In order to achieve this goal, the CEQA Guidelines require that "[a]n EIR shall describe a range of reasonable alternatives to the project . . . which would feasibly attain most of the basic objectives of the project but would avoid or substantially lessen any of the significant effects of the project, and evaluate the comparative merits of the alternatives." (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15126.6, subd. (a).) Moreover, "the discussion of alternatives shall focus on alternatives to the project or its location which are capable of avoiding or substantially lessening any significant effects of the project, even if these alternatives would impede to some degree the attainment of the project objectives, or would be more costly." (*Id.*, at subd. (b).) The EIR fails to consider any alternatives that do not contain the same types of street networks as MP2035, depriving decisionmakers of the opportunity to evaluate whether other means of addressing

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transportation and mobility would have fewer environmental impacts than MP2035 and similar programs.

- 46. The Statement of Overriding Considerations violates Public Resources Code section 21081 as it is not based on substantial evidence. The Statement of Overriding Considerations relies upon assumed air quality improvements and greenhouse gas reductions to support adopting MP2035 in spite of the significant and unavoidable impacts. Statement of Overriding Considerations does not disclose that these improvements and reductions would almost all take place entirely independent of the adoption of MP2035. The Statement of Overriding considerations also lacks substantial evidence to support its conclusions that fuel consumption will be reduced, that walking and bicycling demand will increase, that increasing bicycling from 1% of trips to 1.7% of trips will somehow offset increased congestion for 85% of commuters using motor vehicles and that public safety will be increased by virtue of the slower traffic speeds that will occur due to implementation of MP2035 – despite impaired first responder access.
- 47. Petitioner has a direct and beneficial interest in the action herein and has exhausted all other available remedies.
- 48. Petitioner has a beneficial right to Respondents' performance of their respective duties based on Petitioner's interest in maintaining and improving the quality of the urban infrastructure in the City of Los Angeles, as well as the interest of Petitioner's members in improving quality of life in their own city.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

Violation of City Charter

(Los Angeles City Charter § 555)

- 49. Petitioner incorporates by reference all the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.
- 50. The Los Angeles City Charter sets forth the procedures that Respondents must follow in adopting an amendment to the General Plan. Specifically, Los Angeles City Charter section 555 establishes procedures for the adoption of the General Plan or any amendments.

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The Charter requires approval from both the executive branch and the legislative branch for any General Plan amendment. The City Planning Commission, as well the Mayor, must make recommendations on General Plan amendments, which are provided to the City Council. (Los Angeles City Charter, § 555, subd. (c).) The number of votes needed in the City Council to adopt any amendment depends upon whether the amendment has the recommendation of the Mayor, the City Planning Commission, both or neither. (*Id.*, subd. (e).)

- 51. The Charter provides that the City Council may make changes to a General Plan amendment that has been previously reviewed (as required) by the Mayor and the City However, "[i]f the Council proposes any modification to the Planning Commission. amendment approved by the City Planning Commission, that proposed modification shall be referred to the City Planning Commission and the Mayor for their recommendations." (Los Angeles City Charter, § 555, subd. (d).) The Charter specifies that the Council's amendments must be reviewed as the original plan was reviewed by the City Planning Commission. (Id., subd. (c).)
- 52. MP2035 is a General Plan amendment to the Transportation Element of the City of Los Angeles General Plan, and as such, the City was obligated to follow the procedures set forth in the Los Angeles City Charter for the adoption of a General Plan amendment.
- 53. In the course of the City Council's review of MP2035, it made three substantive modifications to the plan: (1) to amend MP2035 to require that equity is an important factor in prioritizing projects for implementation; (2) to designate City Council as an implementing agency for MP2035, in addition to the already-designated Office of the Mayor; and (3) to add public safety as a criterion to evaluate implementation of the projects set forth in MP2035.
- 54. The City Council did not abide by the process set forth in Los Angeles City Charter section 555, subdivision (d), and refer its substantive amendments to the City Planning Commission and Mayor for their recommendation, even though the amendment adding City Council as an implementing agency alongside the Office of Mayor significantly alters the balance of power in determinations regarding the future implementation of MP2035.

- 55. Petitioner has a direct and beneficial interest in the action herein and has exhausted all other available remedies.
- 56. Petitioner has a beneficial right to Respondents' performance of their respective duties based on Petitioner's interest in maintaining and improving the quality of the urban infrastructure in the City of Los Angeles, as well as the interest of Petitioner's members in improving quality of life in their own city.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

General Plan Inconsistency

(Government Code, § 65300.5; Los Angeles City Charter, § § 556 & 558)

- 57. Petitioner incorporates by reference all the allegations contained in the previous paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.
- 58. Consistency among all elements of a General Plan is required by both state law and the Los Angeles City Charter. Government Code section 65300.5 requires that "the general and elements and parts thereof comprise an integrated, internally consistent and compatible statement of policies. . . ."
- 59. Los Angeles City Charter section 556 requires that the City Council make findings that any General Plan amendment is in "substantial conformance with the purposes, intent and provisions of the General Plan."
- 60. Los Angeles City Charter section 558 requires the City Council to make a finding for a General Plan amendment that the amendment "will be in conformity with public necessity, convenience, general welfare and good zoning practice."
- 61. The findings in support of MP2035 do not meet the requirements of the Los Angeles City Charter, and MP2035 is not sufficiently consistent and correlated across the General Plan as required by Government Code section 65300.5.
- 62. The City's 35 Community Plans, and many of the other elements of the General Plan, all have policies designed to reduce or eliminate vehicular congestion. These policies are fundamentally inconsistent with MP2035, which specifically and intentionally *increases* vehicular congestion.

- 63. Many of the City's 35 Community Plans contain requirements to maintain a certain Level of Service, which is a measure of through-put of vehicles through intersections. MP2035 will reduce the Level of Service citywide and is fundamentally inconsistent with the Level of Service requirements in the Community Plans.
- 64. MP2035's impact on public services such as police and fire is inconsistent with commitments elsewhere in the General Plan to maintain acceptable levels of such service.
- 65. MP2035 is growth-inducing because it increases the land area on which density bonuses will be available under state and local laws; such growth inducement is contrary to the policies of the General Plan Framework Element which is growth neutral.
- 66. The City abused its discretion by adopting the MP2035 which is inconsistent with other provisions of the General Plan, as required by the Charter, and by adopting the Plan which will cause harm to other sections of the City as proscribed by Charter section 558. A writ of mandate may issue to correct this abuse of discretion and require the City Council to rescind its approval of the Plan.
- 67. Petitioner has a direct and beneficial interest in the action herein and has exhausted all other available remedies.
- 68. Petitioner has a beneficial right to Respondents' performance of their respective duties based on Petitioner's interest in maintaining and improving the quality of the urban infrastructure in the City of Los Angeles, as well as the interest of Petitioner's members in improving quality of life in their own city.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

Injunctive Relief

(Code of Civil Procedure, § 526)

- 69. Petitioner incorporates all the allegations set forth in the preceding paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.
- 70. Respondents' refusal to comply with the aforementioned provisions of the CEQA, the Los Angeles City Charter, and the Government Code caused and threatens to cause Petitioner irreparable and substantial harm by establishing the various networks that will

permit reduced traffic and parking lanes Citywide and by the City's own analysis increase congestion and neighborhood intrusion of traffic, and delay the ability of first responders to reach medical and fire emergencies. So long as MP2035 remains in effect, proposals consistent with MP2035 can be approved by Respondents/Defendants which will bring about the negative environmental consequences that will have these adverse consequences.

71. Petitioners have no plain, speedy, and adequate remedy at law, in that unless Respondents/Defendants are enjoined by this Court to rescind the approval of MP2035 and all other associated approvals, development that is inconsistent with the policies of the General Plan may be approved by the City. No amount of monetary damages or other legal remedy can adequately compensate Petitioner and all residents of the City of Los Angeles for the irreparable harm that they will suffer from the violations of law described herein.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays for relief as follows:

- 1. That this Court issue a new Writ of Mandate compelling Respondents to rescind their approval of MP2035, along with any and all revisions to the Community Plans and other General Plan elements done to conform to MP2035, any ordinances implementing MP2035, and the street standard maps known as S-470 and Complete Streets Design Standards, which were adopted to conform to MP2035;
- 2. That this Court enjoin Respondents from taking any action to implement MP2035, and the associated changes to the Community Plans, S-470, all zoning and land use maps, and to further enjoin Respondents from taking any action to approve any project under the standards of the MP2035 until such time as the City Council has revised MP2035, its EIR and its Community Plans in a manner that creates consistency within the General Plan and the conforms to the requirements of CEQA and is adopted according to the process set forth in the Los Angeles City Charter;
- 3. That this Court award Petitioner attorneys' fees and costs in its capacity as private attorney general.

1	4. That this Court grant P	Petitioner such other, different, or further relief as the	
2	Court may deem just and proper.		
3	Dated: September 8, 2015	Respectfully submitted, STRUMWASSER & WOOCHER LLP	
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